

The Intelligencer.

There is ample time to lay in an appetite for Christmas.

Did anybody remark that Mr. Blaine has a head as long as a year leg?

The burning question of the Speaker's bill was submitted to King Caucus to-morrow evening.

Randall's friends are offering \$10,000 against \$7,000 on their favorite. Randall was the favorite in the pools the last time he ran, and his friends were made exceedingly glad.

Mr. Blaine, it is true, is a Republican. But what will it not if it justifies Democrats in jumping on his plan to distribute the surplus revenue and lift the burden of State taxation.

By the death of Ex-Governor Stevenson a good citizen and an earnest Republican passes away. He will be missed by his State and country, and mourned by a large number of friends.

"Hold on there!" shout the Democratic organs, "you Republicans are raising a national issue." This with reference to the Carle and Copley union. But Mr. Carle's friends hope to elect him Speaker on the section. That is a fact good enough for their goose.

"San Joaquin" (hwa-keen), the picturesque and sweetly flowing poem printed on another page, is by the writer of the very interesting letters signed "H. M.," which have afforded so much pleasure to readers of the Intelligencer. "San Joaquin" is a poem that will travel.

Ex-Governor Stevenson, second Governor of West Virginia, is the first of our Governors to pass away. Ex-Governors Boreman, Jacob and Matthews, and ex-Governor Pierpont of the "Restored Government of Virginia," are in active employment—Boreman, Matthews and Pierpont practicing law, and Jacob on the bench of Ohio county.

Allen O'Myers, writing a card about the fight for Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, says that John G. Thompson is "an excellent liar." Mr. Thompson is one of those gentlemen who weigh two hundred and fifty pounds or more, and Mr. O'Myers says, "But Mr. O'Myers writes for a newspaper, and that is where he gets the balge on Jonjee. There may be blood-spilling yet."

They have an interesting case down in North Carolina. A father agreed to give his daughter and a shotgun to a young man for his year's work. The contract was closed and the young man performed his part thereof. The old man handed over the gun but could not deliver the remainder of the goods. The girl said she was going to wed another. Now the young man's idea is that he will sue the father for breach of contract and ask the court to put an injunction on the marriage. This is a case of a disappointed and outraged lover with a shotgun in his hand. Is the race degenerating?

Mr. Blaine would divide among the States according to population the internal revenue receipts from spirituous and malt liquors with this result:

Alabama	\$2,000,000	New Jersey	\$1,500,000
Arizona	1,000,000	New York	3,500,000
California	4,000,000	North Carolina	2,400,000
Colorado	800,000	Pennsylvania	3,000,000
Connecticut	1,000,000	Rhode Island	500,000
Delaware	500,000	Tennessee	1,500,000
District of Columbia	1,000,000	Texas	2,500,000
Florida	1,000,000	Vermont	500,000
Georgia	1,000,000	Virginia	2,000,000
Idaho	1,000,000	Washington	1,000,000
Illinois	2,000,000	West Virginia	1,000,000
Indiana	1,500,000	Wisconsin	1,000,000
Iowa	1,000,000	Wyoming	500,000
Kansas	1,000,000		
Kentucky	1,000,000		
Louisiana	1,000,000		
Maine	500,000		
Massachusetts	1,000,000		
Michigan	1,000,000		
Minnesota	1,000,000		
Mississippi	1,000,000		
Missouri	1,000,000		
Montana	1,000,000		
Nebraska	1,000,000		
Nevada	1,000,000		
New Hampshire	500,000		
New Mexico	1,000,000		
New York	3,500,000		
North Carolina	2,400,000		
Ohio	2,000,000		
Oklahoma	1,000,000		
Oregon	1,000,000		
Pennsylvania	3,000,000		
Rhode Island	500,000		
South Carolina	1,000,000		
South Dakota	1,000,000		
Tennessee	1,500,000		
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West Virginia's share, \$1,081,000 would be about \$240,000 more than the State receives from all sources in the fiscal year 1882. It would be able under this plan to run the State without any State tax whatever—a relief which at this time would be warmly appreciated by tax-payers, and we should have something over to apply to our indebtedness. This would also be a great relief to the party which has tangled the State in debt and has been forced to put on the taxing screws in the hope of finding a way out. But we do not urge that as an objection to a measure which is intended for the common welfare. Having paid off the debt we should then have a surplus to be distributed among the counties, for them to use as they might see fit—still another reduction of local and direct taxation.

Our share would increase with the consumption of the articles taxed, and unhappily the consumption does increase. Moreover our young and sparsely settled State, with room for, and the inducement to draw, a large population; so that in time our relative place in the list would be considerably higher. The amount which we should receive at once would be more than twice the Internal Revenue taxes of all kinds paid by West Virginia in 1882.

It has been suggested that the States should levy taxes on spirituous and malt liquors. The States could not do the work so well, and there are other obvious objections. Mr. Blaine's suggestion is a good one, and we hope to see Congress act favorably on it.

Collected with a Coal Fleet.

MEADSBURG, TENN., November 29.—A skiff containing nine railroad hands who had been at work at Little Rock, while crossing the river this morning in a fog struck a coal float above the mouth of Wolf river and capsized. All were drawn under the coal barges, but several could be rescued. Those who were not rescued were taken from the river but died shortly afterwards. Hardy Myers was drowned and his body was not recovered.

Woolen Mills Burned.

SALISBURY, MASS., November 29.—The Salisbury Woolen mills, owned by Michael Shippey, burned this morning. The company employed about 500 persons. Loss on buildings and machinery \$150,000. Loss on stock and insurance not known.

THE PLOT THICKENS.

CARLISLE'S BULLDOZING SCHEME.

Southern Democrats who are working as Throats, Carle and Bought for the Kentucky—Western Men Howling for the Ignis Fatuus of Free Trade.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 29.—The speaker's canvass has been worked industriously all day to almost the entire exclusion of Thanksgiving ceremonies. The Sanny South is again on the warpath and is laying the law with great severity on the backs of the Randall men South of the Potomac. A week ago Randall had pledged from one or more in every Southern State, and it is to force these into line for Carle that the Kentucky brigade has been working night and day, coaxing, threatening and buying, by turns. In many cases they have been successful and now are clamoring for a vote on the order that the traitors to their section may be spotted and punished hereafter. To-night Carle claims 70 out of the 104 Southern men. Randall holds Delaware, Maryland and Virginia pretty fairly so far, but outside of these States Carle has the call.

The bitterness of the canvass is wholly on the part of the Carle men against the Southern men who do not readily fall into line.

"FREE TRADE AND DOWN WITH TARIFF." At least twenty-five Western men are howling for "free trade, and down with the tariff," which they proclaim, with parrot-like cry, to be the rich man's monopoly. Three men are for Carle solid. To the democracy the delegations from New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Indiana, the doubtful States of next year, that Randall's election is essential to success, the reconstructed simply reply.

It is a question of the year. We are going to have our share of what there is now, and let the future take care of itself.

A Philadelphia paper, with an article in it yesterday on the "Woodman Spare That Tree" order, has served the same purpose. It is a question of the year. We are going to have our share of what there is now, and let the future take care of itself.

A majority is now claimed by Carle on each State, and vigorous efforts are being made to secure the vote in each State as a unit.

PUTTING THEIR FOOT IN IT. If there is not a great change of spirit among the Democrats before the winter is over they will have succeeded in arraying against them the manufacturers and skilled labor of the North, the railroads and National banks in a manner that will make it hard to tell. Mr. Carle's pledges from 90 members, Carle 122, Randall's friends count up 110, and Springer has withdrawn, making 292, or 100 more than there are to go into caucus.

A dispatch from New York says Senator Bingham, Chairman of the National Democratic Committee, will be here to-morrow in the interest of Randall. The largest crowds have been at Randall's rooms all day. The building is in for Carle. As Blackburn says, it is his; he is already elected, and it belongs to him, &c. By to-morrow night about 30 to 40 more who are now playing double may be definitely located.

At a meeting of the Ohio delegation to-day it was decided to send a delegation to the National Convention, and to send a delegation to the National Convention, and to send a delegation to the National Convention.

A POISONED WEDDING FEAST. A matrimonial celebration that ended in a fatal result was celebrated at the residence of Mr. J. G. Thompson, of the firm of Thompson, Arrison & Sheppard, of the firm of Thompson, Arrison & Sheppard, of the firm of Thompson, Arrison & Sheppard.

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The exact nature of the complaint was mysterious and it was suspected that the dish had been tampered with. The guests suffered from sympathetic fever, produced by gastric or intestinal disturbance, and suspicion of poisoning pervaded the minds of the guests. The guests suffered from sympathetic fever, produced by gastric or intestinal disturbance, and suspicion of poisoning pervaded the minds of the guests.

IS O'DONNELL A BIGAMIST? One Wife in England and Another on the Way Thither.

PHILADELPHIA, November 29.—Maggie O'Donnell, the wife of Patrick O'Donnell, who killed Informer Carey; will leave this city to-morrow for New York; where she will embark on the Inman steamer City of Montreal for England to be present at the trial of her husband. The case opens Friday in the central criminal court, before Justice Denham, but Mrs. O'Donnell's friends have fears that the trial will be over before she can reach the other side.

At 2 o'clock on Saturday morning R. J. McGinley, Mrs. O'Donnell's cousin, who keeps a Catholic book store on Spring Street, above Eleventh, was awakened by a denunciation from his door who were giving vigorous puffs at his bell and knocking on the panels with their canes. He called himself to the best of his ability and, lighting a candle and shivering with cold, descended and asked them what they wanted. He soon recognized the gentlemen as Irish patriots who were taking a great interest in the approaching trial of the great villain who killed the Dublin Informer. They hurriedly and excitedly told him that it was necessary for the acquittal of O'Donnell that Mrs. O'Donnell should go for England on the steamship City of Berlin.

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THE LAND OF COREA.

MINISTER FOOTE'S ACCOUNT OF THAT INTERESTING COUNTRY AND ITS PEOPLE—Peculiarities of the Inhabitants—The Manufacture, Climate, Soil and Products—The State of Society—Other Facts.

Correspondence of the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, November 29.—Mr. L. H. Foote, minister to Corea, writing from Seoul to the State Department gives the following interesting facts about Corea and the Coreans, a country and people attracting much attention just now by reason of relations recently established between the United States and this and the present visit of the Korean Ambassadors. Mr. Foote says:

It is very difficult to give accurate statistics in regard to the history of Corea. According to tradition the kingdom existed in a settled form, and a even some kind of voluntary, as thus the poor man escapes extortion and oppression. The Coreans are a people of a high degree of intelligence, and are very industrious. They are a people of a high degree of intelligence, and are very industrious.

At different times the country has been overrun by China and Japan, and has paid tribute to each. Each year an embassy goes to Peking with certain gifts, and brings back the Chinese calendar. To receive this calendar is an evidence of dependency, and if it is not used it is regarded as an act of treason.

It is necessary to report to the Chinese Emperor the accession of a new king to the throne, and to obtain his sanction thereto. Envoys going from Corea to China are treated as Chinese subjects, and all official documents from the Korean King to the Emperor of China bear the subscription of the subject.

CHINA AND COREA. For two hundred years, however, China has carefully avoided complications with Corea, and has never materially interfered with her internal affairs. On more than one occasion she has disavowed responsibility for the overt acts of the Korean Government. Since 1893 Corea has enjoyed a profound peace, and has been able to devote her resources to the improvement of her country.

For this reason officials are frequently changed that rank may be conferred. The result of this system is that the people are divided into parties and a bitter partisan spirit is engendered. The result of this system is that the people are divided into parties and a bitter partisan spirit is engendered.

IN ACCORDANCE with the Governor's proclamation, the State House was elaborately hung with mourning last evening and the offices will be closed to-day. Several flags in the city were also displayed at half mast when the death of Ex-Governor Stevenson was announced.

THE AMERICAN HOG. Effect of the Removal of the French Embargo on Importation.

New York, November 29.—The action of the French Government in taking the embargo from the importation of American pork was the subject of discussion on the floor of the Produce Exchange to-day. The general feeling was one of satisfaction that the French were beginning to appreciate the superiority of the American hog.

When the news was first heard on the Exchange, on Tuesday, there was an advance of 50 cents. Yesterday there was a reaction of 15 cents, but the advance of 35 cents that remained showed the firmness of the market. The embargo was not expected to feel an increase in trade for some time, &c., although the embargo has been abolished, there will remain an suspicion of the quality of meat for a long time. There was no evidence of any speculation on the Exchange in either pork or lard, and everything was quiet.

"The reintroduction of pork into France will begin," said one of the prominent exporters to a reporter, "on the assumption that the French will be able to handle the surplus. The French Government was placed under great pressure there can be no doubt, by the heavy produce dealers in that country, and it was by that means, I am convinced, that it was induced to admit the Yankee hog. We are now awaiting the news that Germany has followed the good example of her neighbor."

CLIMATE, SOIL AND PRODUCTS. Corea is a land of mountains. The Shan-yan-ai range extends from north to south along the eastern coast; from this, smaller ranges extend across the country. Everywhere mountain peaks are to be seen.

In the central and western portions are several plains or plateaus called Maibye. These plains are fertile and are the source of the Maibye rice. The rice is the staple food of the Coreans. The rice is the staple food of the Coreans.

The country is well watered and fairly wooded, and the Government exercises much care in maintaining the forests. Many wild animals abound in the mountains, such as tigers, leopards, bears, wild boars, &c.; and pheasants; water-fowl, and other game birds are abundant. Of the domestic animals, the bulls and cows command favorably with those of our country; they are well bred and are used as beasts of burden. The horses are extremely small and inferior; the swine are poor and ill-favored. Goats and sheep are rarely, if ever seen.

During the season I have found in the market of Seoul apples, peaches, pears, and several kinds of berries. The fruits, however, are inferior to those of our country. The products of the central and southern districts are rice, silk, cotton, hemp, and other articles. The products of the central and southern districts are rice, silk, cotton, hemp, and other articles.

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A REMARKABLE OFFENSE. A Young Baltimorean on Trial for Libeling His Step-Mother. BALTIMORE, November 29.—A lively case of criminal libel came up for trial to-day in the Criminal Court. The prisoner is George Hodget, indicted for the malicious publication of a scandalous libel in a paper called Check against his step-mother, Mrs. Louis Hodget, a well-to-do fish dealer in the Hollins Market. The article was headed "Hodget's Shameful Life," and was a scathing attack